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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED EXAMINING GROUP 3725

PATENT

Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 02886.0088

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
Hirotaka TODAKA et al.	Group Art Unit: 3725
Application No.: 10/782,759) Examiner: Edward T. Tolan
Filed: February 23, 2004	Confirmation No.: 7642
For: PARTIALLY REINFORCING METHOD AND APPARATUS OF METAL MATERIAL	Mail Stop AF
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed January 3, 2006, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants proposes that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment sections of this paper.